

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant : Astrid Vrang et al
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HETEROLOGOUS GENE PRODUCTS IN LACTIC ACID BACTERIA
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Examiner: : Nancy S. Vogel

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RESPONSE/AMENDMENT TO A FINAL OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Mail Stop Amendments

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of May 3, 2007, Applicants amend the claims as set forth below and respectfully request consideration of the amendments and accompanying remarks.

Amendments to the claims begin at page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin at page 10 of this paper.